



PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Docket No: Q87773

Hiroki AKATSUKA, et al.

Appln. No.: 10/542,374

Group Art Unit: 3721

Confirmation No.: 7777

Examiner: Thanh K. TRUONG

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For:

BUFFER MATERIAL FOR PACKAGING AND DEAERATION TYPE PACKING

METHOD

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Mail Stop Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This responds to the Restriction Requirement, dated October 5, 2006. In response to the Restriction Requirement, Applicant elects Group I, claims 1-4 for examination. This election is made without traverse.

Applicant reserves the right to file a Divisional Application directed to non-elected claims 5 and 6.

The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account.

Respectfully submitted,

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